

New Consular Fees in Effect on July 13, 2010

On June 28, 2010, the Department of State published its Schedule of Fees for Consular Services in the Federal Register. The schedule includes fees for passports, immigrant visas and other consular services. The changes will take effect on July 13, 15 days after publication in the Federal Register. The revised fees will cover actual operating expenses for the 301 overseas consular posts, 23 domestic passport agencies and other centers that provide these consular services to U.S. and foreign citizens.

The 27 adjusted fees are based on a Cost of Service Study completed by the Bureau of Consular Affairs in June 2009. The study, which was the most detailed and exhaustive ever conducted by the Department of State, established the true cost of providing these consular services, which by law must be recovered through collection of fees.

Under the new fee schedule, **passport** and other **Consular fees** are set as follows:

NEW CONSULAR FEES EFFECTIVE JULY 13, 2010		
	CURRENT FEE	NEW FEE
<u>Non-Immigrant Visa Fees*</u>		
Nonimmigrant visa application	\$ 131.00	\$ 140.00
1. H, L, O, P, Q, and R categories	\$ 131.00	\$ 150.00
2. E Visas	\$ 131.00	\$ 390.00
3. K Visa	\$ 131.00	\$ 350.00
4. BCC Adult	\$ 131.00	\$ 140.00
<u>Immigrant Visa Fees</u>		
IV Application Processing Fee		
1. Family-based immigrant visa	\$ 355.00	\$ 330.00
2. Employment-based immigrant visa	\$ 355.00	\$ 720.00
3. Other immigrant visas (SIVs, DVs, etc.)	\$ 355.00	\$ 305.00
IV Security Surcharge	\$ 45.00	\$ 74.00
Diversity Visa Lottery surcharge	\$ 375.00	\$ 440.00
Domestic review of Affidavit of Support	\$ 70.00	\$ 88.00
Determining Returning Resident Status	\$ 400.00	\$ 380.00
<u>Passport Fees</u>		
Passport Book - adult	\$ 100.00**	\$ 135.00**
Passport Book - minor	\$ 85.00**	\$ 105.00**

Passport Book Renewal - Adult	\$ 75.00	\$ 110.00
Additional passport visa pages	-	\$ 82.00
Passport Card - Adult	\$ 45.00**	\$ 55.00**
Passport Card - Child	\$ 35.00**	\$ 40.00**
Consular Report of Birth Abroad	\$ 65.00	\$ 100.00
Renunciation of U.S. Citizenship	-	\$ 450.00
File Search and Verification of U.S. Citizenship	\$ 60.00	\$ 150.00
<u>Overseas Citizens Services</u>		
Disposition/Shipment of Remains of a non-U.S. Citizen	\$265.00 + expenses	\$200.00 + expenses
<u>Documentary Services</u>		
Notarials, Certifications of True Copies, Authentications, provision of Department of State records	\$ 30.00 (first), 20.00 (addtl)	\$ 50.00
<u>Judicial Services</u>		
Processing Letters Rogatory & FSIA	\$ 735.00	\$ 2,275.00
Taking Depositions or Executing Commissions:		
1. Scheduling/Arranging Depositions	\$ 475.00	\$ 1,283.00
2. Attending or Taking Depositions	\$ 265.00/hr + expenses	\$ 309.00/hr + expenses
3. Swearing in Witnesses	\$ 265.00/hr + expenses	\$ 231.00/hr + expenses
4. Supervising Telephone Depositions	\$ 265.00/hr + expenses	\$ 231.00/hr + expenses
5. Providing Seal and Certification	\$ 70.00	\$ 415.00
<u>Administrative Services</u>		
Consular Time Charges (per hour)	\$ 265.00	\$ 231.00

***New NIV fees were instituted June 4, 2010.**

****This includes a \$25 Execution fee not retained by Department of State.**

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American citizens wishing to contact the Consular Section may do so via email at ConsularMuscat@state.gov or fax at (968) 2464-3535. If you wish to speak directly to a consular staff member, please call the embassy phone number between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and follow the prompts. American Citizen Services are available [by appointment](#) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday and between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Monday. When visiting the embassy, please bring two forms of government-issued identification with photographs, as you will need to leave one with the security guards while inside the building.

The U.S. Embassy is located on Jameat A'Duwal Al Arabiya Street in the diplomatic area of Shatti al Qurum in the capital city of Muscat. The Embassy is closed on Omani and American holidays.

For the latest security information, Americans traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs' web site at <http://travel.state.gov>, where the current [Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts](#), as well as the [Worldwide Caution](#), can be found.

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